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13 February 1968

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT : Project ARGON - Comments on [] Draft of
Memo to Accompany ARGON Final Report

- REFERENCES: A. [] 12 February 1968, Covering Memo
from AD/DCI/NIPE Requesting Comments on
- B. [] 9 February 1968, Draft of
[] memo to accompany Project
ARGON Final Report and to be signed by
Dr. Hornig, Special Assistant to the
President for Science and Technology

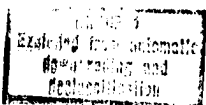
1. On the morning of 13 February, [] advised that []
wished a single DDI reply to NIPE on [] draft and that they
hoped to prepare the reply that day. NPIC comments, approved by the Director
and Executive Director, were phoned [] during the morning. []
stated he had no need for follow-up memo. [] NIPE, was then
advised that NPIC comments had been provided [] for the DDI's reply
to his memo.

2. There follows the text transmitted by phone to []

A. We agree with [] three points.

B. Beyond these, it is certain that the proposed standing
committee will be making requests of NPIC for materials and
other miscellaneous services. Something should be said in the
comments back to [] that NPIC's ability to provide
such services must be subordinate to NPIC first meeting a heavy
load of intelligence requirements.

C. Believe also it would be advisable to insure that there
is understanding of the fact that imagery analysts, photogram-
metrists and other such specialists are in extremely short
supply and there needs be some arrangement to avoid emphasizing



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peaceful uses at the expense of intelligence (or vice versa)
until the country's campuses and training facilities, through
inspiration, begin to meet the various national needs.

D. For your information NPIC to date has expended 3,279
man hours in support of Project ARGO, 2,256 of which were ex-
pended in FY 68.

[redacted]
Assistant to Deputy Director, NPIC

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